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SUBJECT: ARAB GROUP LETTER TO AMBASSADOR YOUNG

1. ARAB GROUP MET APRIL 14 AND AGREED TO TEXT OF LETTER IN PARA 2, TAKING NOTE OF CLARIFICATIONS BY AMB. YOUNG AND CLOSING THE MATTER (YOUNG'S REMARKS TO CONFERENCE OF JEWISH PRESIDENTS AS REPORTED IN PRESS MARCH 30). YOUNG HAD MET EARLIER IN DAY WITH ARAB GROUP CHAIRMAN ALI HUMAIDAN (UAE) AND DISCUSSED THIS AND OTHER QUESTIONS (MEMCON POUCHED TO IO/UNP).

2. "WITH REFERENCE TO OUR MEETING OF THE 14TH OF APRIL CONCERNING THE STATEMENTS ATTRIBUTED TO YOU IN THE PRESS ON THE 30TH OF MARCH 1977, I WOULD LIKE TO INFORM YOU THAT THE ARAB GROUP AT THE UNITED NATIONS MET TODAY AND TOOK NOTE OF YOUR CLARIFICATIONS GIVEN TO ME DURING OUR MEETING REGARDING THESE STATEMENTS. IN THE LIGHT OF THESE CLARIFICTIONS, THE ARAB GROUP THEREFORE CONSIDERS THE MATTER CLOSED.

"HOWEVER, THE ARAB GROUP WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS PARTICULARLY ITS SURPRISE AT YOUR STATEMENT THAT THERE WAS HATRED AGAINST JEWS SIMILAR TO THE HATRED PERPETUATED BY THE RACIST KU KLUX KLAN. I WOULD LIKE TO STRESS HERE THAT ALL THE ARAB DIFFERENTIATE BETWEEN ZIONISM AND JUDAISM. WE CONSIDER JUDAISM A SACRED RELIGION AS ISLAM AND CHRISTIANITY.

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"AT THE SAME TIME, THE ARAB GROUP WOULD LIKE TO ASSURE YOU OF ITS DESIRE TO ESTABLISH WITH YOU A FRUITFUL DIALOGUE AND THE BEST COOPERATION IN THE FUTURE.

"PLEASE ACCEPT, MR. AMBASSADOR, THE ASSURANCES OF MY HIGHEST CONSIDERATION."

3. STATEMENT IN PARA 2 OF HUMAIDAN LETTER REFERS TO  
MIKE BERLIN (NY POST) STORY REPORTING YOUNG'S REMARK THAT  
IN 1966 HE HAD EXPERIENCED A "BRUTAL AWAKENING" TO INTENSE  
HATRED OF JEWS BY ARABS AND "KU KLUX KLAN MENTALITY OF  
HATRED IN THE SOUTH", HATRED BASED ON IGNORANCE. THESE  
STATEMENTS WERE REPORTED TO THE PRESS BY A SPOKESMAN OF  
THE JEWISH PRESIDENT'S ORGANIZATION -- NO VERBATIM TEXT  
WAS MADE OF YOUNG'S COMMENTS.  
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